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In re the Application of: **Group Art Unit: 1746** Daniel P. BEXTEN et al Examiner: Not yet assigned Serial No.: 10/043,716 Filed: January 9, 2002 For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR **CLEANING CONTAINERS** PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

'IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows (with reference to the line numbers at the left margin):

At page 1, line 6, change "now pending" to --now U.S. Patent No. 6,432,214--.

At page 5, line 9, change "includes a rotor" to --. A rotor is--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 12 and 21.